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a. Underground resistance before the outbreak of the revolt.

[redacted] there was no question of any organized underground movement in Hungary. There was a spirit of resistance, and they had also tried to form small resistance groups but the AVH system had numerous spies in all levels of the population who worked either voluntarily or were forced to work for the AVH, so that such groups were immediately rolled up by the AVH before they could begin activities. [redacted]

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b. Favoritism for communist officials.

[redacted] government and party officials did not have high salaries. This was always presented to the people for propaganda. However, it was known to insiders that the extras exceeded the salaries many times, while there were other privileges such as free rent, free service, the use of a car, etc.

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c. Civil air defense.

Every Hungarian civilian is required to belong to the national air defense organization (comparable to the Dutch B.B.). The name of this organization is the O.L.P. (Országos Légoltalmi Parancsnokság). The organization is divided into 3 sections, namely: I. Negyihasc-gaz (protection against gas and biological warfare); II. Romeltakasztó (clearing, cleaning up service); III. Mentőszolgálat (rescue service). Even at age 8, they have to take a course for this organization, and both men and women must participate. The first training lasts 22 hours - 1 hour a week for the worker and 3 hours a month for housewives and students, etc. After this, they were called up for every exercise and if anyone ignored this appeal, the result was a stiff penalty (fine). Every member had a book which was stamped after every lesson hour and after every practice exercise.

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d. Sport organizations

There is a special ministry for sport in Hungary. The OTSB is the large national sport organization, and in Budapest, the large organization which all this is under is called the BTSB. Participation in the sport organizations is voluntary and there is little question of politics in sports.

Voluntary military training

In Hungary everyone can participate in a sort of voluntary military training. Both boys and girls, men and women can take part. The name of this organization until 1954 was MSZHSZ (Magyar Szabadsagharcos Szövetség). In 1954 the name was changed to MÖHSZ (Magyar Önkéntes Honvéd Szövetség). It means pre-military training for the young people - can start at age 10 - while it is a refresher for men who have already had military service. The organization was done by factories. There was a section of the MÖHSZ in every somewhat larger factory, while every section again had various groups such as: a rifle group, motorized group, radio group, group of parachutists, glider flying group. All was on the basis of so called volunteering, and for instructors they used former regular officers, sport leaders, etc. They first had to take a firing course before they could join any of the other groups.

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[] the AVH was under the Ministry of Internal Affairs. The AVH is divided into the green AVH, involved with border service, and the blue AVH concerned with internal political investigations. [] all the officers, even in the green AVH, belonged to the blue AVH. For carrying out the duties of the border service, the country is divided into three parts, East, Northwest and South. (The East and North of Hungary form one section together). [] the composition of the green AVH was about as follows in all three parts of Hungary:

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Staff: Colonel
2 Lt. Colonels
1 officer for counter-espionage activities
1 political officer

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About 60 officers

About 120 non-commissioned officers

About 3600 men

Also about 20-30 detectives, 100-120 dogs with attendants, and about
20-25 administrative personnel.

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- a. Airplanes MIG 15, a jet. Speed about 1000 km. an hour. Detail: in case of accident, pilot cannot get out of the plane. MIG 16, a 2-man jet. Speed about 1000 km. an hour. MIG 18, a modern jet which came out in 1955. Speed about 1200 km. an hour. This plane is equipped with a firing chair (?). These three types are equipped

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with two automatic machine guns which probably have a firing speed of 800 shots (rounds) a minute. In Hungary these are not equipped with an apparatus for firing rockets. Rata-Hungarian propellor plane used in training.

b. Airfields suitable for jets.

1. Taszar. This field was laid out between 1952 and 1954. It is a very modern airfield, about 4000 x 2500 m. and was used both by the Russians and the Hungarians. [] the following number of planes [] were stationed there early in 1956: MIG 15, MIG 16 and MIG 18 - about 50 or 60. Several Dakotas. About 15 Ratas and several reconnaissance planes.

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2. An airfield [] is located about 12 km. from Börgöndpuszta (see on enclosed map no. 2). This originally was too small a field for jets but it was expanded and completely modernized. This modernization was completed in the fall of 1956. Hangars, gas depots, etc., are underground. It is about 5000 x 2500 m. large. About 40 to 50 MIG's.

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3. Tapolca. This airfield, originally too small for jets, was also enlarged. No underground hangars.

4. Kecskemet. A former Hungarian airfield for ^{(fighter planes.} ~~jets~~. Now is a base for both Russian and Hungarian jets. It was modernized in 1952. Measures about 3500 x 2000 m. Planes - about 50 or 60 MIG 16 and 18's.

5. Czeged. Used mainly by the Russians. 2500 x 1500 m. Planes: about 25 jets of the MIG 18, 16 and 15 type.

6. Tököl-1. This field, about 1500 x 1300 meters, was used only by the Russians. There are large newly built barracks. Planes: about 30 MIG's of the 18 type.

7. Mázötur. This field, which is still under construction, will be the largest in Hungary. (5000 x 3000 m.) [] the cost will be 160 million forint and it was to be completed at the end of 1957.

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Radar center: The central, very modern radar center for all of Hungary is to the south of Siofok (see map). Everything is underground and very well guarded.

Atomic laboratory: [] the Hungarian atomic lab is in Csilleberc, about 5 km. northwest of Budapest.

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Uranium mines: [] the uranium mines in Pecs are camouflaged by derricks. They want to give the impression that these are oilfields.

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Major Russian garrison locations.

1. Budapest.

2. Szombathely. The Russian headquarters for western Hungary is located here

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on the corner of the following streets: Kálvária-u and Uttörő-u. There are a total of 3 large barracks in Szombathely where, in 1955-56, pantzer troops and artillery were lodged. A large number of tanks were stationed in the former Ezredévi Park. This park was demolished by the Russians and the tanks stand there in wooden shelters.

3. Székesfehérvár. At the beginning of 1956 there were pantzer troops, artillery, infantry and pioneers located here. There is also a very large repair installation.

4. Maimásker Tábör. This is the largest Russian garrison [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] the number of Russian troops here at the beginning of 1956 [redacted] 25X1
25,000 men, chiefly artillery and pantzer troops. It is a very large military field (3000 x 7000) with a large artillery range around it.

5. Szolnok. The barracks here is located on the river, the Zagyva.

6. Debreczen. Infantry and quartermaster troops are located here. [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] the military prison of the Russians is also here. 25X1

[redacted] there are weapons factories in the following places:

Miskolc - name of factory - Dimávg; cannons, machine guns, automatic hand pistols, grenades and mines. Number of workers here runs into the thousands.

Törökbálint (munitions factory)

Jobbágyi (munitions factory)

Sajóbáony (munitions factory underground)

Erd (munitions factory for small ammunition and hand grenades)

Budapest (submachine guns). This is a former lamp or bulb factory.

Also an arms factory 16 km. to the east of Budapest, hidden in the woods, where they make small arms.)

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